

Melton Primary School Newsletter

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WE ARE MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

WE ARE ACTIVE LEARNERS

- ✓ We will have a go and try our best.
- ✓ We reflect on our learning and seek to improve.
- ✓ We ask questions to clarify our understanding.
- ✓ We are persistent and determined to succeed.
- ✓ We are punctual and prepared.
- ✓ We take pride in our work.
- ✓ We listen attentively.
- ✓ We are resilient and use a range of strategies to solve problems.

WE RESPECT OTHERS

- ✓ We are polite.
- ✓ We are friendly, honest and caring.
- ✓ We are accepting and inclusive.
- ✓ We have self-control.
- ✓ We listen to others and use words that show respect.
- ✓ We follow rules and accept outcomes for our behaviour.
- ✓ We are grateful.

WE ARE SAFE

- ✓ We make safe choices.
- ✓ We listen and follow instructions.
- ✓ We are cyber safe.
- ✓ We walk within the classroom.
- ✓ We use equipment appropriately.
- ✓ We follow road safety rules.
- ✓ We are sun smart.

WE ARE SUPPORTIVE

- ✓ We are understanding and encourage others to do their best.
- ✓ We give feedback and positive reinforcement.
- ✓ We listen, collaborate and work well in teams.
- ✓ We aim to build positive relationships.
- ✓ We are sympathetic to the needs of others.

From the Principal's desk

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Melton District Athletics Carnival

This week selected students will participate in the Melton District Athletics Carnival at Bridge Road. We wish all of our students the best of luck as they embark on their event/s. We know that they will do our school proud by being great ambassadors and showing great sportsmanship. Thank you to Mr CC for his coordination of this event and to Mrs Coward, Ms Morrissy and Ms Morrissey for attending on the day.

Principal's Day

Mrs Sutherland, Mrs Ward and myself would like to thank of the students, parents and staff who went out of their way to wish us a happy Principal's Day last fortnight. We had amazing tributes and thanks presented in a movie from the students and staff. Thank you all.

Phillip Island Camp

Our Grade 4 students enjoyed the opportunity to go on School Camp last week at Phillip Island. They completed activities such as the giant swing, cooking and the flying fox. They also had a fun night at A Maze'N Things and even saw the penguins at the Penguin Parade. A special thank you to all of the staff that organised and attended the camp, it is greatly appreciated. A huge thank you to Jamie Jones who was a parent helper on the camp. It is greatly appreciated that all of the adults who attend could provide this opportunity for our Grade 4 students.

Student Mobile Phones

As per the school mobile phone policy, any child who brings a mobile phone to school must hand it into the office at the commencement of the school day.

From the Principal's desk

Foundation 2023

Students enrolled in Foundation for 2023 recently participated in their first scheduled transition day online. If your child/ren were not enrolled or unable to make it, don't worry it is not too late. Please ensure your enrolment form is lodged at the office and we will contact you in relation to future transition sessions.

Students should not be onsite prior to 8:15am unsupervised

Teachers officially start at 8:18am with the first teacher on yard duty from 8:30am. Students should not be in the school yard prior to 8:15am unsupervised. Parents needing to have their child on site prior to 8:15am are required to utilise the Out of School Hours Care service. If students are on site prior to 8:15am unsupervised, parents will be contacted to collect them.

Book Parade

Put on your thinking hats and start to prepare your child's Book Parade Costume for 2022. The Book Parades are scheduled to take place on Friday 26th August.

Farewell Mrs Meaney

Tuesday 16th August will be Mrs Meaney's last day before she embarks on a new adventure at an independent school. We thank her for all of her hard work at Melton Primary School and we wish her all the best for the next chapter in her career.

Welcome back

We would like to welcome back to Melton Primary School Mrs Oates who is returning from maternity leave. Mrs Oates will be taking over Mrs Meaney's role.

Vanessa Harrison
Principal

Key Dates for Term 3, 2022

August

- 15th Curriculum Day - Student Free Day
- 18th MPSSA District Athletics (selected students)
- 19th Melton Minis 2pm
- 22nd-26th Book Week
- 26th F-3 8:45am Book Week Parade
- 26th 4-6 9:30am Book Week Parade
- 24th Foundation 2023 Orientation Session



September

- 1st 5&6 Basketball Event (selected students)
- 2nd Melton Minis 2pm
- 5th R U Ok? Dress in yellow day.
- 6th Foundation Responsible Pet Ownership Incursion
- 8th Divisional Athletics (selected students)
- 9th Grade 2 Sleepover
- 14th Football Dress Up Day
- 15th Grade 4 History Incursion
- 16th 2-6 Swimming Carnival
- 16th Melton Minis 1:30pm
- 16th Last day term 3, **2:30pm finish**

Term 3 Holidays

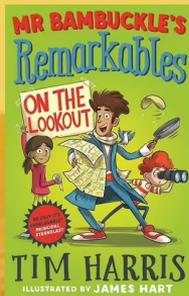
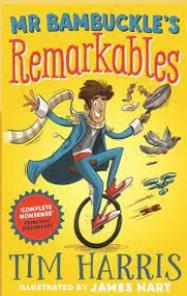
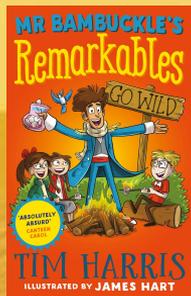
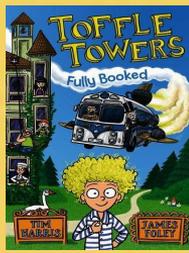
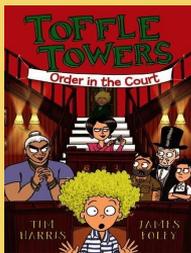
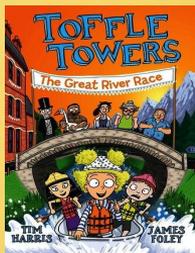
17th September - 2nd October



Tim Harris

Tim Harris is the bestselling author of several laugh-out-loud series for kids, including *Toffle Towers*, *Mr Bambuckle's Remarkables* and *Exploding Endings*.

A former primary school teacher of 15 years, his stories are filled with quirky scenarios, loveable characters and plenty of imagination!



Science Week runs from 13th August till 21st August. Get involved and learn more about science by checking out these awesome local activities.
#scienceweek2022



Under the Microscope at Sydenham Library

📅 Sunday 14 Aug
🕒 2:00pm - 3:00pm (AEST)
📍 Sydenham Library
Watergardens Circuit, Taylors Lakes VIC.



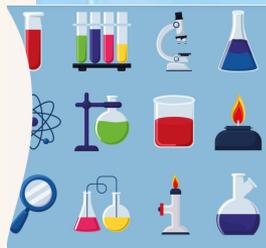
STEAM After School: Lego Robotics

📅 Tuesday 16 Aug
🕒 4:30pm - 5:30pm (AEST)
📍 Sunbury Library
44 Macedon Street, Sunbury VIC 3429, Australia



Libraries After Dark: Scinema Film Festival screening (Sunbury)

📅 Thursday 25 Aug
🕒 6:30pm - 8:30pm (AWST)
📍 Sunbury Library
44 Macedon Street, Sunbury VIC 3429, Australia

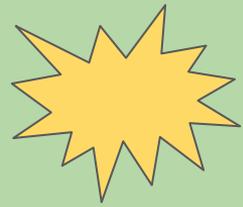


STEAM After School: Osmo coding with Awbie

📅 Thursday 18 Aug
🕒 4:30pm - 5:30pm (AEST)
📍 Sunbury Library
44 Macedon Street, Sunbury VIC 3047,



Find out more information and activities at:
<https://www.scienceweek.net.au/>



Attendance



Congratulations to the following Grades for their fantastic attendance for the first half of Term 3 KEEP IT UP!

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It is extremely important if your child is going to be away you enter their absence via the Compass app or telephone 9753 5335, select option 1, and leave a message.

Coping Strategies

Coping strategies are the tools we use to manage tough emotions and cope with stress. It is often an expected behaviour to know how to handle emotions, however it is not a skill we are born with. Coping strategies need to be taught and practiced on a regular basis.

Strong coping strategies can make a big difference in helping kids and teens be successful in and outside of school. These strategies are actually life skills that we all need, which is why it is so important to help kids and teens develop them at an early age.

As a group, the MPS staff completed a PD about coping strategies and self-care. We spent time brainstorming different coping strategies we can use to help our students as well as ourselves.

Some of our ideas:

- Exercise
- Do some chores
- Board Games
- Puzzles
- Drawing
- Mindful Colouring
- Listen to music
- Doodling
- Dance
- Fidget/Sensory Toys
- Playdough
- Essential Oils
- Breathing exercises
- Reducing stimuli (noises, lights...)
- Dead Fish
- Going outside (reading a book, nature walk)
- Cloud watching (making shapes/pictures)
- Kinetic Sand
- Popping bubble wrap
- Lay down on soft blankets or pillow
- Eat something sour or chewy
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- Using a worry box
- Identify feelings - How does my body feel? What does it look like?
- Chasing bubbles
- Hula hoop
- Simon says
- Flexing and pointing feet
- Rolling your shoulders
- Yoga and stretching

Coping Strategies

- Used to get you through the tough times
- Activities or tactics you use when you're in a stressful situation
- Strategies you can use when you need to buy a bit more energy or time, like hitting the "pause button" when stressed

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Self Care

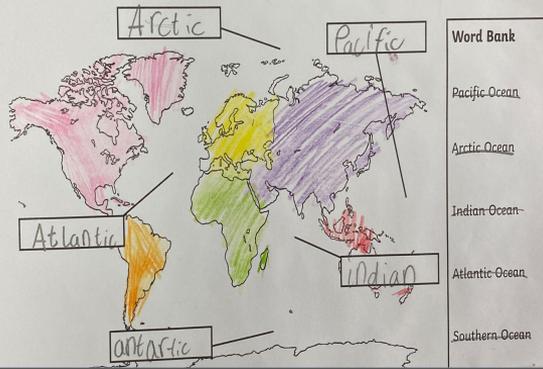
- A preventative measure
- Acts attending to your emotional, mental, spiritual and physical health
- Decrease extreme distress and burnout
- Can decrease the need for coping skills in the future

Foundation

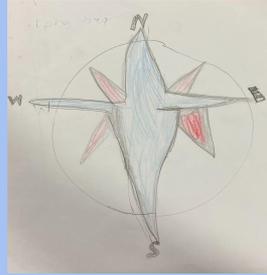
100 Days of School Celebration



The Five Oceans of the World



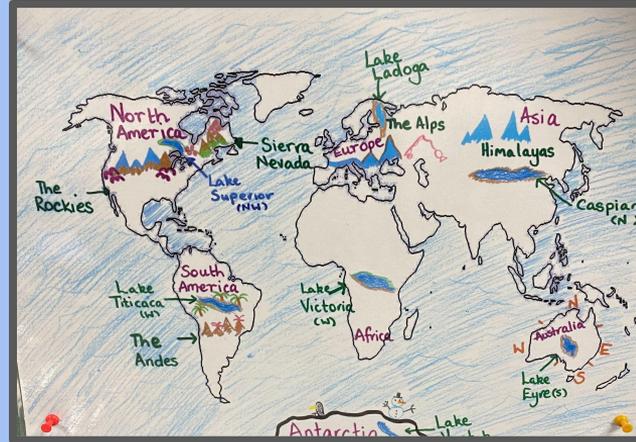
GEOGRAPHY



Our students are very familiar with compass points now, and could navigate their way out of a dense forest.



Throughout Term 3 the students have had a great time learning all about the continents and oceans around the world. There's been catchy songs and Kahoot quizzes left, right and centre.



what's coming up

- School sleepover
- Book week
- Footy Day

Mini Golf



GRADE 4

PHILLIP ISLAND CAMP



Maze



On the 8th of August, the grade four students went to camp at Phillip Island. It was jam packed with fun activities. Students had a blast all throughout. There never was a dull moment.

Penguin Parade



Giant Swing



Cooking



Illusions!



GRADE 4

PHILLIP ISLAND CAMP

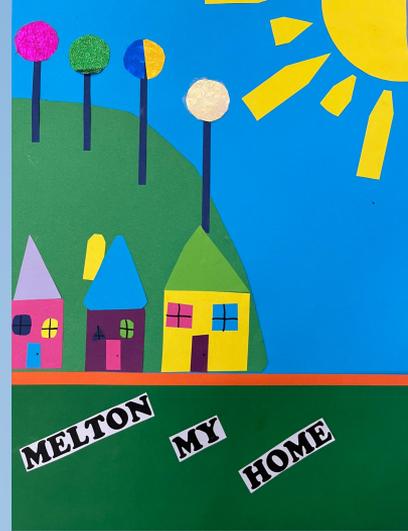


Low Ropes



Flying Fox





In Auslan Art, all the grades have been super busy creating amazing posters to enter either, Greater Western Water or Melton Town Centre Art Competitions. One child from every year level will be chosen and entered. If your child would like to enter on their own, just follow the links below.

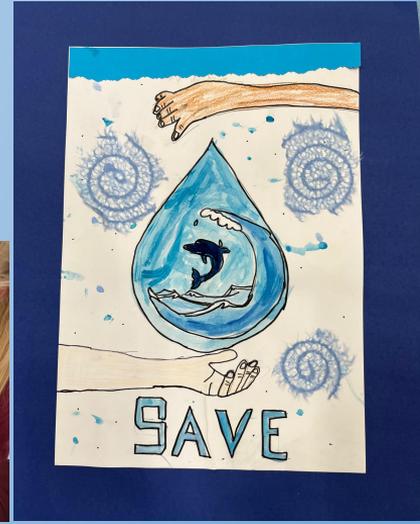
Auslan Art

Greater Western Water Competition

<https://welcome.gww.com.au/about/community/nww-poster-competition>

Melton Town Centre Competition

<https://conversations.melton.vic.gov.au/MtcArtCompetition>



\$6 FOOTY DAY LUNCH SPECIAL!

Footy Day will be held on **Wednesday the 14th of September**. Orders close on the 2nd of September. **NO LATE ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED**



Order through the **FlexiSchools** app or fill in this form, attach to a paper bag and make payment to the canteen directly.

NAME: _____

GRADE: _____

CHOOSE ONE LUNCH ITEM

Meat pie with sauce

Hotdog with sauce

CHOOSE ONE MILK

Chocolate

Strawberry

Honeycomb

From the



Remember to always
put your rubbish in the
bin!



From this.....

NATIONAL TREE DAY



JULY WARRIORS



To this!

Foundation 2023 orientation session



We look forward to the students participating in their next orientation session on:

Wednesday 23rd of August

Group B- 9:20-10:20

Group A- 10:40-11:40

If you haven't enrolled yet, it's not too late



**ENROLMENT
NOW OPEN**

for Foundation 2023!

Do you have a child starting school in 2023?

Lodge your expression of interest form at the office, or call to have one sent home.

Secure your child's enrolment at Melton Primary School.

Act now as classes fill fast!

Melton Primary School
"Onward with pride"

Melton Primary School
No. 433

Decorative elements: a red sphere, a globe, a blue graduation cap, a yellow pencil, a gold ring, a yellow star, a green pencil, a purple wavy line, and a brown wavy line.



MELTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

FATHER'S DAY STALL

Thursday 1st of September
2022



Please contact Mrs Sutherland if you can help out with the set up: Wed 31st August- 1:30pm
or
on the day Thursday 1st September 8:30-12:30pm

Dear families,

The date for the Father's Day Stall is Thursday 1st of September.

We have a wide variety of fantastic gifts (including cards and gift bags) for your child/ren to choose from. Items at the Stall will range in price from \$1.00 to \$8.00. Children are able to purchase for Dads, Stepdads, Grandfathers, and Uncles etc. **Every child that makes a purchase from the stall gains an entry into the lucky prize draw.**

The stall will be in resource room (back of the Library)

If you would like your child/children to have the opportunity to purchase from the Father's Day Stall they will need to bring their money in a named envelope on the day and hand it to their teacher for safe keeping.

Thanks for your support.
Helping Hands



MPS term 3 fundraiser
 Orders open from 18th July
 and and final orders taken
 26th August.



\$6 a pair

Order online

<https://sockable.com.au/pages/do-it-for-schools-groups-individual-order>

Best of the Best



Fire Truck Small



Donut Small



Pineapple Small



Lazy Dayz Small



Icecream Small



Unicorn Medium

Family Favourites



Donut Extra Small



Fairy Floss Extra Small



Ladybird Extra Small



Unicorn Small



Fire Truck Yellow Small



Donut Blues Small



Mousetrap Medium



Flamingo Medium



Sweets Medium



Moo Cow Medium



Motorbike Large



Panda Large



Strawberry Small



Silly Sixth Medium



Shorn the Sheep Medium



Pizza Tins Medium



Banana Pad Medium



Strawberry Moo Large



Dot Donut Large



Toucan Large



Goldjaws Large



Bouncing Bunny Large



Pepperoni Pizza



Fetch Fido Large

Victoria's new Child Safe Standards

New Child Safe Standards to strengthen child safety will commence in Victoria on 1 July 2022

The Child Safe Standards (the Standards) commenced in Victoria in January 2016. After five years, we have seen how the Standards improve safety for children and young people.

Changes are being made to make our Standards even stronger.

Organisations¹ covered by the Standards will need to comply with new Standards by **1 July 2022**. Until then, the current Standards apply.

The new Standards set out minimum requirements and outline the actions organisations must take to keep children and young people safe. They provide more clarity for organisations and are more consistent with Standards in the rest of Australia.

The things organisations already do to keep children and young people safe will help them be compliant with the new Standards. In some areas, organisations will need to change or develop their current child safety policy, practices and organisational culture to meet the new Standards.

Further information and guidance will be provided by the Commission and other regulators over the coming months to help organisations move to the new Standards by **1 July 2022**.

What will be different?

Although similar to Victoria's current Child Safe Standards, key changes include new requirements:

- to involve families and communities in organisations' efforts to keep children and young people safe
- for a greater focus on safety for Aboriginal children and young people
- to manage the risk of child abuse in online environments
- in relation to governance, systems and processes to keep children and young people safe.

Standard 1

Organisations establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities and experiences of Aboriginal children and young people are respected and valued

Standard 2

Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture

Standard 3

Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously

Standard 4

Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing

Standard 5

Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice

Standard 6

People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice

Standard 7

Processes for complaints and concerns are child-focused

Standard 8

Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training

Standard 9

Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed

Standard 10

Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved

Standard 11

Policies and procedures document how the organisation is safe for children and young people



VICTORIA POLICE

BIKE/SCOOTER HELMETS

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR LOCAL POLICE

This is a reminder that all users of bikes and scooters (including the motorised versions) **MUST** wear helmets unless exempt. We have had concerns raised by members of our community, and it is quite apparent that residents have become complacent regarding these laws.

Mandatory bicycle helmet laws were introduced in July 1990. This applies when riding:

- on roads and road-related areas
- on bike and shared paths
- in bike lanes
- in recreational parks
- in car parks
- on footpaths.

Police can stop bike and scooter riders and issue a fine or a warning for not wearing an approved bicycle helmet. **The current fine for this offence is \$231.**

Research indicates that bike helmets greatly reduce the risk of head injuries, which are the major cause of death and injury to bike riders.

- Bicycle helmets reduce the chances of a serious head injury by almost 70 %
- Two years after introducing bicycle helmet laws in 1990 a 23% reduction in head injuries in Victoria.

This is a significant safety issue, and we encourage you all to look after yourselves, family, and friends.

